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Update to December 1991 Monthly Economic Review

	JANUARY - DECEMBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE
NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS									
Alberta									
a) Alberta Corporations	16,041	14,808	-7.7	1,396	1,173	-16.0	1,391	1,122	-19.3
b) Non-Alberta Incorporations	1,695	1,505	-11.2	126	119	-5.6	112	93	-17.0

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CURRENT ECONOMIC INDICATORS DECEMBER 1991 HIGHLIGHTS

Employment/Unemployment: The unadjusted unemployment rate in Alberta increased from 8.6% in November to 9.0% in December 1991 but remained third lowest in Canada. The number of unemployed increased by 7,000 persons over the two month period; however, employment increased by 8,000. By industry, unemployment rates declined in agriculture, logging & forestry, retail trade, and accommodation food & beverages; remained the same in business services; and increased in mining, manufacturing, construction, and health & social services.

Housing: Though at a lower rate, the value of building permits continued to increase in October 1991 compared to October 1990 further moderating year-to-date declines. All major categories except industrial permits posted gains. Total urban dwelling starts in Alberta increased by 26.2% in November 1991 over November 1990 though figures are down 32.3% on a year-to-date basis.

International Travellers: The total number of non-residents entering Alberta increased by 4.7% in September and by 1.5% in October 1991 compared to the same months in 1990. Although declining in September, entries from Japan rebounded in October, posting a 56.3% increase over 1990. Also in October, entries originating in Switzerland, Hong Kong, and Australia declined. (Note: U.S. figures exclude same-day entries. See data table for additional note).

Domestic Trade: Restaurant, caterers and tavern receipts in Alberta declined by 5.8% in September 1991 compared to 1990. The total value of retail trade fell 6.4% in October 1991 compared to the same month in 1990.

Manufacturing: Shipments continued to worsen in November 1991, declining 14% by value over November 1990. The shortfall was relatively focussed, with declines occurring in only five of the thirteen categories listed in the report. On a year-to-date basis, shipments have dropped by 2.1% still a better showing than the 6.2% decline registered nationally.

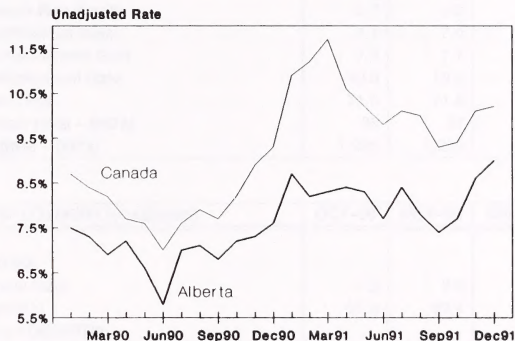
Energy: Following a 1.0% decline in July, natural gas production increased by 2.1% in August 1991 compared to August 1990. Crude oil and equivalents production declined 1.0% in the latest month. In November 1991, the number of rigs drilling in Alberta declined by half over the 176 rigs drilling in the same month in 1990.

Agriculture: Total farm cash receipts from operations declined by nearly 17% in the third quarter of 1991 over the same period in 1990 with losses posted in receipts from both crops and livestock. Alberta losses of 8.7% over the first nine months compared to a national decline of 6.4%.

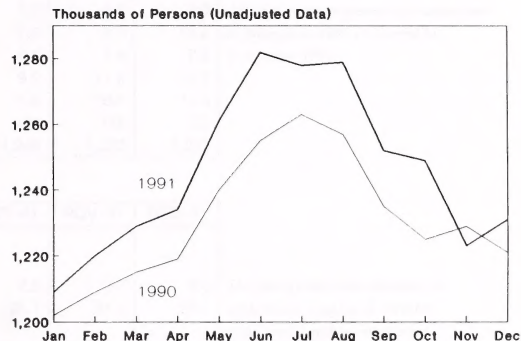
Exports: Following a 17% increase in August 1991 compared to August 1990, Alberta exports declined by 8.3% in September with losses posted in all major categories except end products. An 11.8% gain on a year-to-date basis, however, remains the strongest performance in Canada.

Bankruptcies/Incorporations: The number of business bankruptcies in Alberta declined by 36% in October 1991 compared to October 1990 while consumer bankruptcies increased 41.8% over the same period. Incorporations at both Alberta and non-Alberta firms increased over the same two month period, by 2.8% and 20.6% respectively.

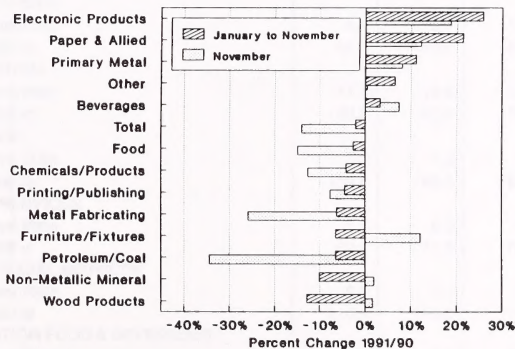
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



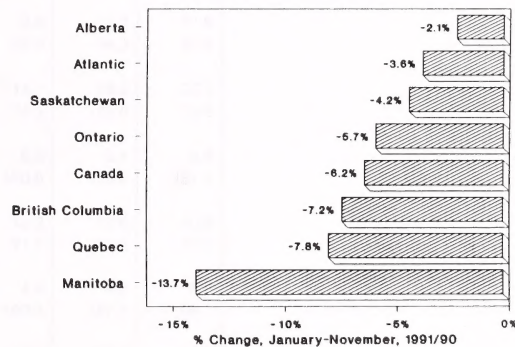
EMPLOYED, ALBERTA



MANUFACTURING SHIPMENTS, ALBERTA



MANUFACTURING SHIPMENTS, PROVINCES



CURRENT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

December 1991

UNEMPLOYMENT (unadjusted)	OCT-90	NOV-90	DEC-90	OCT-91	NOV-91	DEC-91
Alberta						
a) Unemployment Rate (total)	7.2	7.3	7.6	7.7	8.6	9.0
b) Male Unemployment Rate	6.7	7.0	8.0	7.7	9.3	10.2
c) Female Unemployment Rate	7.8	7.7	7.0	7.6	7.8	7.6
d) Youth Unemployment Rate	10.0	10.8	11.0	9.9	11.8	12.5
e) Participation Rate	71.5	71.8	71.4	71.8	70.9	71.6
f) Unemployment (total - 000's)	95	97	100	104	115	122
g) Employed (total - 000's)	1,225	1,229	1,221	1,249	1,223	1,231

Alberta's unemployment rate increased in December 1991 compared to November 1991.

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT (unadjusted)	OCT-90	NOV-90	DEC-90	OCT-91	NOV-91	DEC-91
Alberta						
a) AGRICULTURE						
Unemployment Rate	1.5	2.9	2.1	2.5	3.3	3.0
Employed (000's)	95.0	89.4	84.5	95.1	91.2	87.1
b) LOGGING & FORESTRY						
Unemployment Rate	3.8	25.0	10.7	23.3	18.2	2.8
Employed (000's)	2.5	2.1	2.5	2.3	2.7	3.5
c) MINING						
Unemployment Rate	5.2	4.8	5.1	6.6	8.5	9.2
Employed (000's)	66.1	67.2	65.6	68.3	66.5	64.1
d) MANUFACTURING						
Unemployment Rate	8.0	6.7	10.2	9.3	11.0	11.6
Employed (000's)	94.1	90.7	93.5	94.0	94.3	87.6
e) CONSTRUCTION						
Unemployment Rate	11.4	16.9	19.6	14.7	19.6	22.1
Employed (000's)	83.8	82.2	75.4	84.3	75.0	78.8
f) RETAIL TRADE						
Unemployment Rate	7.9	7.2	7.9	6.9	8.1	6.8
Employed (000's)	159.6	168.3	163.4	160.8	156.4	167.0
g) BUSINESS SERVICES						
Unemployment Rate	7.3	5.3	6.9	10.3	10.6	10.6
Employed (000's)	69.5	71.9	70.4	71.7	71.6	73.2
h) HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES						
Unemployment Rate	5.1	3.1	3.6	4.9	4.8	5.3
Employed (000's)	110.2	110.8	114.3	109.3	107.9	109.1
i) ACCOMODATION FOOD & BEVERAGES						
Unemployment Rate	13.9	13.7	12.2	12.1	11.2	10.7
Employed (000's)	75.9	78.3	79.5	86.6	86.6	86.8

Unemployment rates declined in agriculture, logging & forestry, retail trade, and accomodation food & beverages in December 1991 over November 1991; remained unchanged in business services; and increased in all other industries listed.

	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE
BUILDING PERMITS (\$millions)									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Total Value	2,617.3	2,303.8	-12.0	203.5	338.4	66.3	206.7	217.3	5.1
b) Residential	1,523.5	1,189.0	-22.0	108.6	126.9	16.9	117.0	123.9	5.9
c) Industrial	299.4	243.6	-18.6	30.7	86.1	180.5	26.2	10.2	-61.1
d) Commercial	599.2	516.8	-13.8	51.1	49.6	-2.9	53.0	58.0	9.4
e) Institutional/Government	195.3	354.5	81.5	13.2	75.8	474.2	10.5	25.2	140.0

Total building permits continued to increase in October though at a slower pace than in the previous month.

	JANUARY - NOVEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER		
	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE
DWELLING STARTS (urban)									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Single Detached	11,026	7,407	-32.8	652	794	21.8	656	719	9.6
b) Two Family	564	518	-8.2	40	88	120.0	30	102	240.0
c) Row	1,047	730	-30.3	74	171	131.1	147	88	-40.1
d) Apartments	1,126	661	-41.3	38	71	86.8	0	142	---

Growth was registered in all categories of urban dwelling starts except row housing in November 1991 over 1990.

	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE
INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS NON-RESIDENTS ENTERING									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Total	584,841	580,012	-0.8	61,530	64,392	4.7	30,695	31,152	1.5
b) U.S.A	382,650	376,164	-1.7	38,359	40,054	4.4	20,103	20,393	1.4
c) Germany	16,080	20,159	25.4	1,914	2,466	28.8	816	871	6.7
d) Netherlands	5,374	7,076	31.7	685	1,418	107.0	206	325	57.8
e) Switzerland	3,714	4,017	8.2	451	493	9.3	188	169	-10.1
f) United Kingdom	28,005	29,447	5.1	4,008	4,087	2.0	1,468	1,737	18.3
g) Hong Kong	1,139	1,220	7.1	85	95	11.8	80	45	-43.8
h) Japan	16,043	13,263	-17.3	2,714	2,269	-16.4	677	1,058	56.3
i) Australia	6,294	4,731	-24.8	708	736	4.0	452	365	-19.2

Travelers entering Alberta increased by 1.5% in October 1991 compared to October 1990.

(Note: Figures given are for non-residents entering Alberta directly. Consequently, actual totals will be understated as significant numbers of travelers enter via other provinces. This movement will not be reflected in this table.)

RESTAURANT CATERERS & TAVERN RECEIPTS (\$ Mln)	JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER		
	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE
Alberta	1,290.8	1,224.5	-5.1	155.9	148.4	-4.8	144.4	136.0	-5.8

Receipts declined in September.

RETAIL TRADE (\$millions)	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE
Alberta									
a) Total All Stores	16,130	15,353	-4.8	1,614	1,557	-3.5	1,692	1,584	-6.4

Receipts declined in October.

MANUFACTURING (Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture \$millions)	JANUARY - NOVEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER		
	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE
Alberta									
a) Total	17,413.1	17,050.1	-2.1	1,789.5	1,578.6	-11.8	1,708.2	1,469.9	-14.0
b) Food	3,837.2	3,738.9	-2.6	370.3	320.3	-13.5	367.7	313.3	-14.8
c) Beverage	306.0	315.9	3.2	25.2	28.7	13.9	26.9	28.9	7.4
d) Primary Metal	803.7	893.1	11.1	71.1	86.1	21.1	73.0	78.9	8.1
e) Metal Fabricating	964.3	904.7	-6.2	89.1	79.2	-11.1	98.8	73.3	-25.8
f) Printing Publishing	709.1	677.5	-4.5	68.5	62.3	-9.1	68.5	63.3	-7.6
g) Non-Metallic Mineral Products	591.0	532.1	-10.0	66.9	58.9	-12.0	45.9	46.8	2.0
h) Petroleum/Coal Products	3,267.6	3,057.9	-6.4	447.6	294.1	-34.3	397.8	261.2	-34.3
i) Chemicals and Chemical Products	2,993.4	2,867.6	-4.2	290.0	260.0	-10.3	274.9	240.2	-12.6
j) Wood	874.6	763.0	-12.8	81.6	71.6	-12.3	68.7	69.9	1.7
k) Furniture and Fixtures	218.5	204.5	-6.4	19.7	19.8	0.5	17.4	19.5	12.1
l) Paper and Allied	646.5	784.9	21.4	57.0	73.3	28.6	63.2	70.9	12.2
m) Electronic Products	477.2	600.2	25.8	43.8	59.8	36.5	49.2	58.4	18.7
n) Other	237.0	252.4	6.5	23.1	21.5	-6.9	24.8	24.9	0.4

Increases in the value of shipments posted in the majority of categories were not sufficient to offset losses in others leading to an overall decline of 14% in November 1991 compared to November 1990.

	JANUARY - AUGUST			JULY			AUGUST		
	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE
ENERGY									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Natural Gas Production (millions of cubic metres)	76,169.1	78,680.7	3.3	9,100.8	9,005.9	-1.0	9,018.1	9,206.4	2.1
b) Crude Oil and Equivalents Production (thousands of cubic metres)	52,026.6	52,391.9	0.7	6,772.5	6,717.6	-0.8	6,835.5	6,764.5	-1.0

Production of natural gas increased in August 1991 over August 1990, while crude oil and equivalents production declined.

	AVERAGE JANUARY - NOVEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER		
	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE
RIG ACTIVITY									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Drilling activity	129	115	-10.9	132	92	-30.3	176	88	-50.0
b) Available	376	355	-5.6	371	348	-6.2	371	347	-6.5
OIL PRICE (W.T.I. - \$U.S.)	24.25	21.64	-10.8	35.92	23.23	-35.3	32.30	22.43	-30.6

Rig activity continued to decline in November.

	JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			APRIL - JUNE			JULY - SEPTEMBER		
	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER-CENT CHANGE
AGRICULTURE - Farm Cash Receipts (\$millions)									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Total From Operations	3,310.4	3,021.7	-8.7	968.7	950.9	-1.8	1,054.3	876.6	-16.9
b) Crops	1,332.4	1,220.7	-8.4	322.7	339.0	5.1	345.0	312.6	-9.4
c) Livestock	1,764.3	1,695.0	-3.9	616.6	596.1	-3.3	588.7	538.7	-8.5

Total farm cash receipts declined in value in the third quarter of 1991 compared to 1990.

	JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER		
	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE
EXPORTS (\$millions)									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Total	10,718.4	11,982.5	11.8	1,169.2	1,368.5	17.0	1,264.8	1,159.7	-8.3
b) Crude Materials	6,239.2	7,195.7	15.3	719.4	730.6	1.6	805.5	675.8	-16.1
c) Fabricated Materials	2,152.9	2,372.6	10.2	240.7	250.0	3.9	237.0	231.0	-2.5
d) End Products	553.1	838.7	51.6	57.1	243.6	326.6	58.7	107.6	83.3
e) Other	1,773.3	1,575.4	-11.2	152.0	144.2	-5.1	163.6	145.4	-11.1

Exports declined in all categories except end products in September 1991 compared to September 1990.

	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE
BANKRUPTCIES									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Business	929	1,098	18.2	83	114	37.3	125	80	-36.0
b) Consumer	3,025	4,585	51.6	317	448	41.3	368	522	41.8

Business bankruptcies declined in October 1991 over 1990.

	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE	1990	1991	PER- CENT CHANGE
NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS									
<u>Alberta</u>									
a) Alberta Corporations	13,254	12,513	-5.6	1,104	1,038	-6.0	1,304	1,267	-2.8
b) Non-Alberta Incorporations	1,457	1,293	-11.3	122	123	0.8	155	123	-20.6

Incorporations declined in both categories in October.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX 1986=100 (Canada and Selected Cities)	ANNUAL RATES			1991						
	1988	1989	1990	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV
a) Canada	108.6	114.0	119.5	126.1	126.7	126.8	126.9	126.7	126.5	127.0
b) Edmonton	107.1	111.8	117.8	124.6	124.6	125.2	125.3	125.2	124.8	125.2
c) Calgary	106.6	110.7	117.6	124.3	124.6	125.5	125.9	125.7	125.3	125.6
d) Halifax	107.4	112.5	118.2	125.1	125.0	125.1	124.8	125.2	125.2	126.0
e) Toronto	110.9	117.9	123.4	128.7	129.4	129.6	129.6	129.1	128.7	129.2
f) Winnipeg	108.5	113.7	118.9	124.4	125.0	125.4	125.6	125.6	125.0	126.3
g) Vancouver	106.8	111.5	117.6	123.5	124.0	123.9	123.9	124.1	124.1	124.6

Winnipeg posted the largest month-over-month increase in the CPI in November, Calgary and Edmonton the lowest.

EXCHANGE RATES (in \$CDN)	ANNUAL AVERAGE			1991						
	1988	1989	1990	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
a) United States	1.2307	1.1839	1.1668	1.1437	1.1491	1.1447	1.1368	1.1279	1.1303	1.1457
b) Japan	0.0096	0.0086	0.0081	0.0081	0.0083	0.0084	0.0085	0.0086	0.0087	0.0089
c) Germany	0.7027	0.6308	0.7239	0.6418	0.6438	0.6564	0.6718	0.6679	0.6978	0.7325
d) United Kingdom	2.1926	1.9414	2.0824	1.8875	1.8976	1.9268	1.9635	1.9439	2.0111	2.0910
e) France	0.2072	0.1859	0.2148	0.1892	0.1897	0.1932	0.1974	0.1959	0.2042	0.2143

The Canadian dollar declined in value against all currencies listed in December 1991 compared to November 1991.

INTEREST RATES (Prime Rates)	ANNUAL AVERAGE			1991						
	1988	1989	1990	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
a) Canada	10.83	13.33	14.10	9.75	9.75	9.75	9.75	9.50	8.75	8.00
b) United States	9.40	10.88	10.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	6.50

Rates declined in both countries in December over November 1991.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX 1985=100 (Selected Countries)	ANNUAL AVERAGE			1991						
	1988	1989	1990	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
a) Canada	113.1	118.7	124.4	130.7	131.3	132.0	132.0	132.1	131.9	131.7
b) United States	109.9	115.2	121.4	125.7	126.0	126.4	126.6	127.0	127.5	127.7
c) Japan	101.4	103.7	106.9	110.1	110.7	110.2	110.1	110.3	110.5	N/A
d) Germany	101.4	104.2	107.0	109.5	109.9	110.5	111.6	111.5	N/A	N/A
e) United Kingdom	113.0	121.8	133.4	140.7	141.2	141.8	141.5	141.8	N/A	N/A
f) France	108.8	112.6	116.4	119.2	119.5	119.8	120.3	120.5	120.7	N/A

Upward pressure on prices appears moderate to nil in most countries listed

INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISON OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	ATLANTIC	QUEBEC	ONTARIO	MAN.	SASK.	ALBERTA	B.C.	CANADA	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE									
(unadjusted)									
a) DECEMBER 1990	14.5	11.7	7.8	8.4	7.0	7.6	9.7	9.3	<i>Alberta's unemployment rate was the third lowest in Canada in December.</i>
b) DECEMBER 1991	14.9	11.8	9.4	8.3	7.3	9.0	10.3	10.2	
EMPLOYED									
(unadjusted 000's)									
a) DECEMBER 1990	902	2,939	4,819	487	438	1,221	1,442	12,248	<i>Only B.C. and Alberta posted increases in employment in December 1991 over December 1990.</i>
b) DECEMBER 1991	883	2,910	4,711	484	436	1,231	1,474	12,129	
c) Percent Change	-2.1	-1.0	-2.2	-0.6	-0.5	0.8	2.2	-1.0	
TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES									
(adjusted seasonally \$millions)									
a) OCTOBER 1990	1,742.2	6,434.1	12,381.6	931.1	717.2	2,685.7	3,353.3	28,383.2	<i>Wages and salaries increased in all regions in October 1991 compared to 1990.</i>
b) OCTOBER 1991	1,784.0	6,574.1	12,769.5	933.4	723.2	2,813.4	3,520.1	29,280.1	
c) Percent Change	2.4	2.2	3.1	0.2	0.8	4.8	5.0	3.2	
RETAIL TRADE									
(unadjusted \$millions)									
a) JANUARY TO OCTOBER 1990	12,396	39,232	57,616	5,340	4,564	16,130	19,911	155,648	<i>Retail trade activity continues to be weak across the country.</i>
b) JANUARY TO OCTOBER 1991	11,810	36,445	53,260	4,987	4,255	15,353	19,317	145,865	
c) Percent Change	-4.7	-7.1	-7.6	-6.6	-6.8	-4.8	-3.0	-6.3	
MANUFACTURING (value of shipments of goods of own manufacture in \$millions)									
a) JANUARY TO NOVEMBER 1990	12,888.8	67,528.6	142,283.6	6,449.8	3,325.9	17,413.1	22,753.4	272,707.1	<i>Though still the best showing, Alberta's shipments have declined on a year-to-date basis.</i>
b) JANUARY TO NOVEMBER 1991	12,422.0	62,249.8	134,148.3	5,563.2	3,185.3	17,050.0	21,113.3	255,786.8	
c) Percent Change	-3.6	-7.8	-5.7	-13.7	-4.2	-2.1	-7.2	-6.2	
AGRICULTURE (Farm Cash Receipts from farming operations \$millions)									
a) JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1990	664.5	2,806.1	4,096.1	1,493.1	3,180.9	3,310.4	887.4	16,438.4	<i>The value of farm cash receipts declined across the country over the first nine months of 1991.</i>
b) JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1991	618.6	2,651.4	3,928.5	1,398.6	2,906.2	3,021.7	867.6	15,392.7	
c) Percent Change	-6.9	-5.5	-4.1	-6.3	-8.6	-8.7	-2.2	-6.4	
EXPORTS (\$millions)									
a) JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1990	5,563.8	18,394.1	51,716.5	2,131.0	3,867.7	10,718.4	12,612.4	105,339.1	<i>Alberta's rate of growth in exports continued to be the highest in Canada.</i>
b) JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1991	5,249.9	18,567.2	48,722.7	2,274.4	4,081.4	11,982.5	11,592.6	102,699.3	
c) Percent Change	-5.6	0.9	-5.8	6.7	5.5	11.8	-8.1	-2.5	

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Agriculture:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 21-001 <u>Farm Cash Receipts</u>
Bankruptcies:	Consumer and Corporate Affairs Canada, Superintendent of Bankruptcy
Building Permits:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 64-001 <u>Building Permits</u>
Business Incorporations:	Corporate Registry, Alberta Consumer & Corporate Affairs
Consumer Price Index:	Statistics Canada, Catalogue No. 62-002 and International Monetary Fund, <u>International Financial Statistics</u>
Dwelling Starts:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 64-002 <u>Housing Starts and Completions</u>
Energy Production and Oil Prices:	Alberta Energy Resources Conservation Board <u>Alberta Energy Resources Industries, Monthly Report</u>
Exchange Rates:	<u>Bank of Canada Review</u>
Exports:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 65-001 <u>Summary of Canadian International Trade</u>
Interest Rates:	<u>Bank of Canada Review</u>
International Travelers:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 66-001 <u>Travel Between Canada and Other Countries</u> and Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 63-011 <u>Restaurant, Caterer and Tavern Statistics</u>
Manufacturing:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 31-001 <u>Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing</u>
Retail Trade:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 63-005 <u>Retail Trade</u>
Rig Activity:	Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors
Unemployment/ Employment:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 71-001 <u>The Labour Force</u> (Industry statistics compiled by Alberta Career Development & Employment).
Wages and Salaries:	Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 72-005 <u>Estimates of Labour Income</u>

All series except international prices and business incorporations are also available on the Alberta Statistical Information System (ASIST).

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